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**HUD's Mission: To create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all.**

**TRAININGS, CONFERENCES AND EVENTS:** ~ Visit the [Calendar of Events](#) for current schedule. ~

Training/Conference/Event	Date/Location	Description
<b>DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING A TRIBAL RECYCLING PROGRAM (ITEP)</b>	<b>Jan. 24-26</b> <b>Palm Springs, CA</b>	The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals' new course for creating a recycling program from the ground up. Three different tribal professionals will discuss common obstacles, how to build your team, understanding recycling markets, equipment needs, facility design and operations, and give case study examples of different approaches. Attendees will also participate in a variety of small group activities so they can work directly with their fellow tribal professionals, putting into practice what they learn during the lectures. Attendees will have the opportunity to visit <b>TWO</b> different tribal recycling programs: <b>29 Palms Band of Mission Indians</b> and <b>Morongo Band of Mission Indians</b> to tour their facilities and talk with their staff about how they met various challenges and developed successful approaches to recycling. Course is limited to 20 participants. For more info., and to apply, contact Julie Jurkowski at <a href="mailto:Julie.Jurkowski@nau.edu">Julie.Jurkowski@nau.edu</a> .
<b>Title VI/Loan Leveraging (HUD/ONAP)</b>	<b>Jan. 31 – Feb. 1</b> <b>Albuquerque, NM</b>	HUD's Office of Native American Programs and NAIHC present this <b>FREE</b> training. Project planning includes financing components that use a variety of funding sources. NAHASDA's Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program encourages leveraging. The Title VI Loan Guarantee Program can multiply up to 5 times the Need portion of your IHBG Grant and mix the funds with other resources. This comprehensive 2-day class covers all aspects of the Title VI program and Loan Leveraging. Participants will have the knowledge and confidence necessary to make informed decisions about the feasibility of including Title VI/Loan Leveraging options as part of their tribe's future housing development plans. Learn more about Title VI/Loan Leveraging can benefit your tribe's housing development plans. <a href="#">Click here</a> for the course description. <a href="#">Click here</a> for the agenda. <b>REGISTER at:</b> <a href="https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?EventId=1929484">https://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?EventId=1929484</a>
<b>Sovereignty &amp; E-Commerce: <i>Innovating &amp; Reshaping the Borders of Indian Country</i></b>	<b>Feb. 2-3</b> <b>Chandler, AZ</b>	Many Native American tribes are pursuing business operated over the Internet, thus relieving some of the physical realities of modern, yet still remote, Indian country. These E-Commerce opportunities have not only created thriving economies, but they have also led to a tangled web of legal issues where state, tribal and federal laws and policies are colliding. The quick growth of E-Commerce in Indian Country has outpaced a general understanding of how Tribal Digital Sovereignty and E-Commerce law is intertwined with federal Indian law especially as it may relate to States' rights. The 2 day conference explores legal issues surrounding the development of <a href="#">E-Commerce in Indian Country</a> .
<b>Managing a Successful Strategic Planning Process (HUD/ONAP)</b>	<b>Feb. 8-9</b> <b>Phoenix, AZ</b>	HUD's Office of Native American Programs offers this FREE Training. This hands-on two-day course is designed to explore how Tribally-Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) can effectively manage the strategic planning process. Course reviews how Native ancestors traditionally planned throughout the year, and the importance of strategic planning, common hesitations in undertaking the process, and strategies to address these hesitations. Attendees also learn the key components of strategic planning, including confirming the organizational mission, vision, and values; visioning for the future; identifying potential obstacles, and developing goals and objectives. Participants will have the opportunity to conduct SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats) analysis, practice developing an actual plan to reach a key goal; and outline key next steps to effective strategic planning. <a href="#">Click here for Registration and Event Details</a>
<b>Part 58 Environmental Review Training (HUD)</b>	<b>Feb. 8-10</b> <b>PHX, San Fran, Los Angeles, Honolulu, Las Vegas, Reno</b>	The HUD Region IX Environmental Office will conduct a free three-day training to help HUD grantees, federal, state, and local government staff, "Responsible Entities," and consultants undertaking HUD environmental reviews to gain a better understanding of Federal environmental requirements and procedures. This training is designed to assist those who actually prepare Environmental Review documents under 24 CFR Part 58, as well as those who review and approve such documents. Specific topics to be addressed include the National Environmental Policy Act, sole source aquifers, scenic rivers, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Clean Air Act, wetlands, floodplain management and flood insurance, coastal zone management, endangered species, farmlands, environmental justice, noise abatement, toxic and hazardous substances, other factors and procedural requirements of 24 CFR Part 58, including recommended formats for compliance documentation and an introduction to HUD's Environmental Review Online System (HEROS). The training will be conducted in-person in the Los Angeles and San Francisco HUD conference rooms. The training will be simulcast via video-conferencing to the Phoenix (AZ), Reno (NV), Las Vegas (NV), Honolulu (HI), HUD conference rooms. <b>Register</b> for the event <a href="http://www.hud.gov/emarc/index.cfm?fuseaction=emar.registerEvent&amp;eventId=2958&amp;update=N">http://www.hud.gov/emarc/index.cfm?fuseaction=emar.registerEvent&amp;eventId=2958&amp;update=N</a>
<b>19<sup>th</sup> Native Diabetes Prevention Conference</b>	<b>Feb. 12-15</b> <b>Mesa, AZ</b>	The American Indian Institute at the University of Oklahoma's ongoing conference theme is "Protecting the Generations: A Lifespan Approach to Preventing Diabetes." This conference brings together tribal members from American Indian, Alaska Native, and Canadian First Nations communities, individuals representing academia, tribal health systems, public health, diabetes educators, community health representatives, and more. General Sessions, workshops, and wellness activities will focus on diabetes prevention using a blend of traditional and contemporary strategies. Areas of focus include: diabetes prevention programs, diabetes prevention research, and wellness for diabetes prevention and self-management. For more info., visit



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		<a href="https://aii.ou.edu/conference/event/21/">https://aii.ou.edu/conference/event/21/</a>
<b>Tribal Exchange Network Conference (ITEP)</b>	<b>Feb. 28 –Mar. 1 Alpine, CA</b>	The Tribal Exchange Network Conference provides tribal professionals, and those working with tribes, an opportunity to meet and learn about current initiatives, funding, and technical topics related to the <a href="#">Exchange Network</a> . Share your experiences and learn from other tribal professionals! For more details, visit <a href="http://www.tribalexchangenetwork.org">www.tribalexchangenetwork.org</a> . Click <a href="#">HERE</a> to submit your registration for the Conference (if you are unable to open the Registration Form, contact ITEP for an alternate copy). A limited number of scholarships are available for tribal attendees to cover eligible travel expenses.
<b>National Reservation Economic Summit (RES)</b>	<b>March 13-16 Las Vegas, NV</b>	For more info., agenda, sponsorship details, and registration, visit <a href="http://res.ncaied.org/">http://res.ncaied.org/</a>
<b>Pathways Home Training (HUD/ONAP)</b>	<b>March 20 – 24 Phoenix, AZ</b>	FREE training. Participants will learn about comprehensive homebuyer education programs designed to help educate prospective native homebuyers on how to become successful homeowners. Curriculum is specifically tailored for Native American communities. Participants will also learn the most effective methods to help potential homebuyers determine what is best for them; to build a new home or to buy an existing one. Other areas covered in this curriculum: understanding mortgage loan process, preparing a family budget, improving credit profiles, avoiding predatory lending pitfalls, foreclosure prevention strategies, and home maintenance & personal finances after purchase. Register at: <a href="http://www.cvent.com/events/hud-pathways-home/event-summary-e8359c601adb43388a969372c254f973.aspx">http://www.cvent.com/events/hud-pathways-home/event-summary-e8359c601adb43388a969372c254f973.aspx</a>
<b>Composting Programs and Tribal Food Security (ITEP)</b>	<b>March 21-23 Tucson, AZ</b>	The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) course will focus on providing strategies for creating and managing successful composting projects as part of your Tribe's overall waste diversion activities. We will also explore the connections between composting programs and tribal food security, and methods for creating partnerships and collaborations that will protect tribal natural resources and address community health and wellbeing. Three different instructors will be providing their expertise through lecture and group activities. During this course we will be touring the San Xavier Co-op Farm and their composting activities. For more info. and to apply, visit ( <a href="https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_waste">https://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_waste</a> ) to fill out the application, and submit to Julie Jurkowski at <a href="mailto:Julie.Jurkowski@nau.edu">Julie.Jurkowski@nau.edu</a> .
<b>13th Annual American Indian Disability Summit</b>	<b>March 23 Phoenix, AZ</b>	Gathering Native Voices for Youth Empowerment! Mission is to provide interaction, networking, education and support for American Indians with disabilities and their families, and bridging opportunities and resources in rural and urban tribal communities. The annual summit is held to facilitate training, outreach and technical assistance for American Indians with disabilities residing in urban and rural areas. Attendees gain awareness of support services, become empowered and improve their lifestyle by learning strategies to eliminate barriers to service delivery. For more info., visit <a href="http://americanindiandisabilitysummit.org/">http://americanindiandisabilitysummit.org/</a>
<b>National Tribal Air Association Meeting 2017</b>	<b>May 1-4 Tucson, AZ</b>	A gathering of tribal air quality professionals, EPA and other federal-agency staff & representatives from academia, nonprofits and private industry, sharing information, skills, policy, regulatory initiatives and updates, culture and fun. Optional Training Sessions 5/1 \$50 Registration Fee Scholarship Support Available. For more info, visit: <a href="http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Conferences/confr_ntf">http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Conferences/confr_ntf</a>